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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN CONTACTING GARRETT CORP.

1. P.T. NURTANIO, INDONESIA'S FIRST AND ONLY AIRCRAFT FACTORY ASSEMBLES CASA C-212 AIRCRAFT, WHICH UTILIZE GARRETT TPE 331-5-251C ENGINES. THE ENGINES ARE IMPORTED AS PART OF THE KNOCKED DOWN KIT FROM THE SPANISH MANUFACTURER OF THE FRAME. NURTANIO HAS FOR OVER ONE YEAR BEEN ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN QUOTES FROM GARRETT, 9851 SEPULVEDA BLVD. LOS ANGELES, IN THE HOPE OF PURCHASING THE ENGINES DIRECTLY FROM GARRETT. DESPITE PROMISES TO DO SO, GARRETT HAS FAILED TO SEND THE QUOTES. NURTANIO REPS, WHO HAVE WRITTEN, TELEXED AND VISITED GARRETT IN AN EFFORT TO OBTAIN THESE QUOTES STATE GARRETT HAS BEEN DELIBERATELY VAGUE ABOUT THE MATTER.

2. USDOC IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT GARRETT ASAP AND TO URGE THE COMPANY TO PROVIDE THE QUOTES AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME: IF THERE IS SOME GOOD REASON WHY GARRETT DOES NOT WANT TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION, FOR EXAMPLE IF ITS DEAL WITH CASA PROHIBITS SUCH DIRECT SALES, THEN WE WOULD HOPE THEY COULD BE PERSUADED TO COMMUNICATE THIS TO NURTANIO AT ONCE.

3. FYI - THE HEAD OF P.T. NURTANIO, DR. B.J. HABIBIE,

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IS ALSO PRESIDENT SUHARTO'S SPECIAL ADVISOR FOR SCIENCE. HABIBIE IS A SCIENTIST AND ENTREPRENEUR WHO HAS MADE A DISTINGUISHED MARK FOR HIMSELF WITH THE GERMAN COMPANY MESSERSCHMIT AND WHO RECENTLY WAS NAMED HEAD OF A NEW GOI PROGRAM TO EMPHASIZE TECHNOLOGY. HABIBIE PERSONALLY SOUGHT AMBASSADOR NEWSOM'S ASSISTANCE REGARDING THE GARRETT ENGINES. HE IS A MAN OF GREAT INFLUENCE IN

INDONESIAN BUSINESS AND SCIENTIFIC CIRCLES AND
ONE FOR WHOM THE EMBASSY WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO DO A
FAVOR. END FYI.
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